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Submitted by the Chair

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Adoption of the rules of procedure
4. Consideration of the reports of the States Parties on their full and comprehensive implementation of all provisions of Article X
5. Review of the report by the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) on the operation of the assistance and cooperation database established by the Seventh Review Conference and renewed by the Eighth Review Conference and consideration of its further operationalization, including measures to further strengthen the operation of the database, including in the light of BWC/MSP/2017/4
6. Identification of challenges and obstacles to developing international cooperation, assistance and exchange in the biological sciences and technology, including equipment and material, for peaceful purposes to their full potential, and possible ways and means of overcoming these
7. Development of guidelines and procedures for mobilizing resources, including financial resources on a voluntary basis to address gaps and needs
8. Facilitation of education, training, exchange and twinning programmes and other means of developing human resources in biological sciences and technology related to implementation of the Convention, particularly in developing countries

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9. Promotion of capacity building, through international cooperation, in biosafety and biosecurity and for detecting, reporting and responding to outbreaks of infectious disease or biological weapons attacks, including in the areas of preparedness, response, and crisis management and mitigation

10. Collaboration with international organizations and networks related to combating infectious diseases at all levels, as well as regional and sub-regional cooperation to promote implementation of all articles of the Convention

11. Adoption of the factual report reflecting the deliberations of the meeting, including possible outcomes

12. Closing of the meeting